

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q88016

Toru SANO

Appln. No.: 10/536,798

Group Art Unit: 1723

Confirmation No.: 4489

Examiner: Ernest G. Therkorn

Filed: May 27, 2005

For: SEPARATION APPARATUS AND SEPARATION METHOD

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Restriction and Election of Species Requirement, dated May 31, 2007. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-6, for examination. This election is made without traverse.

In response to the Examiner's Requirement Applicants elect Species I, in which claims 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 read on the elected species. Claim 1 is generic. This Species election is without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims.

The extension fee is being submitted via EFS. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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